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SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR ASSISTANCE TO PORTUGUESE TIMOR REFUGEES

1. THE MACAU-OWNED SHIP, MACDILI, IS CURRENTLY ON ITS WAY FROM PORTUGUESE TIMOR TO MACAU CARRYING 300 REFUGEES. IN ANTICIPATION OF ITS ARRIVAL IN MACAU SOME TIME NEXT WEEK, THE MACAU GOVERNOR HAS FORMED A RELIEF COMMITTEE TO BE PREPARED WITH CLOTHING, FOOD AND SHELTER. ALTHOUGH IT IS STILL UNCERTAIN JUST WHAT THE COMPOSITION OF THE REFUGEES ON BOARD MAY BE, THE MACAU AUTHORITIES BELIEVE MOST ARE CHINESE AND THAT MANY WILL HAVE LITTLE IF ANYTHING WITH THEM.

2. GIVEN THE SITUATION, THE MACAU GOVERNOR HAS REQUESTED FATHER LANCELOT RODRIQUES OF THE CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES IN MACAU AND A MEMBER OF THE RELIEF COMMITTEE TO ASCERTAIN WHETHER OR NOT THE USG HAS FUNDS WHICH MIGHT BE USED FOR ASSISTANCE TO THESE REFUGEES. NATURALLY, THE FUNDS WITH WHICH HE IS MOST FAMILAR AR USARM'S FOR REFUGEES FROM CHINA, WHICH WOULD NOT APPEAR TO BE APPLICABLE FOR THIS NEW EMERGENCY.

3. WE WOULD APPRECIATE DEPARTMENT'S PRELIMINARY CONSIDERATION OF HOW TO RESPOND TO THIS REQUEST. IF USARM FUNDS COULD BE USED, WE BELIEVE WE HAVE A BALANCE OF SOME US \$8,000 WHICH HAS NOT YET BEEN OBLIGATED.  
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